



COPS *Fact Sheet*

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES
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Regional Community Policing Institutes

Community Policing Training

Law enforcement agencies consistently cite training as one of their most critical needs. Many agencies lack the resources for training beyond basic recruit instruction. Through its national network of Regional Community Policing Institutes (RCPIs), the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) helps local law enforcement agencies meet their community policing training needs. RCPIs also offer training to representatives from communities and local governments. This advances comprehensive and innovative community policing training to both law enforcement professionals and the communities they serve.

COPS Funding Impacts Community Policing Training Nationwide

COPS funds a national network of RCPIs. Each RCPI represents an active partnership between a law enforcement agency, an educational institution, and a community group. To date, COPS' RCPIs have provided training to almost 210,000 officers and citizens across the country. This includes more than 80,000 hours of training delivered in 174 curricula.

Each RCPI develops innovative curricula, quality community policing training, and technical assistance opportunities for policing agencies and community members. The RCPI network is accelerating the growth of community policing throughout the country.

Training Law Enforcement and the Community

RCPIs provide officers and citizens with ongoing, innovative approaches to law enforcement that are vital to their communities. Examples of training topics include the following:

- Ethics and Integrity
- Problem-Solving
- Community Partnerships
- Organizational Change Management
- Strategic Implementation
- Rural Community Policing

- Technology for Community Policing
- Violence Prevention
- Cultural Diversity
- Conflict Resolution
- Crime Analysis and Mapping
- Conducting Community Surveys
- Understanding Community Policing
- Community Mobilization

To learn about the RCPIs, log onto their COPS-funded websites:

- The Arizona RCPI specializes in problem-solving, community and police partnerships, and organizational transformation.
<http://www.azpost.state.az.us/azrcpi/>
- The California RCPI at Los Angeles specializes in violence prevention training and technical assistance.
<http://www.lasd.org/sites/rcpi/index.htm>
- The California RCPI at Sacramento specializes in neighborhood revitalization.
<http://www.sacpd.org/RCPI/>
- The California RCPI at San Diego specializes in community policing problem-solving.
<http://www.sannet.gov/police/prevention/rcpi/>
- The Carolinas Institute for Community Policing specializes in both technical and non-technical geographic information systems training.
<http://www.cicp.org/>
- The Colorado RCPI specializes in partnership-building for law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.
<http://dcj.state.co.us/crcpi/>
- The Florida RCPI specializes in community policing training of executive management, community policing /corrections partnerships, and school safety.
<http://cop.spjc.cc.fl.us/cop/>
- The Illinois Regional Institute for Community Policing specializes in organizational and community dynamics.
<http://ricp.uis.edu/homepage.htm>

COPS' NATIONAL RCPI

NETWORK TRAINS LAW

ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS

AND THE CITIZENS THEY SERVE

ON REGION-SPECIFIC COMMUNITY

POLICING ISSUES AND PROVIDES

A VENUE FOR COMMUNITY

POLICING INFORMATION SHARING.

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- The Institute for Public Safety Partnerships in Illinois specializes in partnership-building and community assessments. <http://www.crj.uic.edu>
- The Fort Wayne RCPI in Indiana specializes in the strategic implementation of community policing with a focus on community relations. <http://www.rcpi.org/>
- The Kansas RCPI specializes in technology as a community policing resource. This RCPI focuses on training for rural and small communities. <http://www.wsurcpi.org/>
- The Kentucky RCPI specializes in rural and small-town community policing. <http://www.kycops.org>
- The Louisiana RCPI specializes in partnership-building for community progress. <http://www.lcpi.org/>
- The Maine RCPI specializes in ethics and integrity issues for rural agencies and corrections. 207.621.3334
- The New England RCPI specializes in ethics and integrity and moral decision-making as it relates to community policing. 617.343.4660.
- The Mid-Atlantic RCPI specializes in ethics and integrity in community policing. <http://www.marapi.jhu.edu>
- The Michigan RCPI specializes in organizational change to enhance the implementation of community policing. <http://www.cj.msu.edu/~outreach/rcpi/rcpimsu.html>
- The Missouri RCPI specializes in advanced community policing for rural communities. <http://www.mwsc.edu/rcpi/>
- The Upper Midwest Community Policing Institute specializes in community policing for communities experiencing rapid demographic changes and diverse populations. <http://www.umcpi.org/>
- The New Jersey RCPI specializes in community policing for small and mid-sized suburban communities. <http://www.bergen.org/CPI/>
- The New York RCPI specializes in collaborative problem-solving for communities and law enforcement agencies. 212.237.8572
- The Tri-State RCPI specializes in collaborative partnership training: bringing community members and law enforcement officers together to solve ongoing problems. <http://tri-statercpi.org/>
- The Oklahoma RCPI specializes in community policing for management and leadership level personnel in local government and both community and law enforcement agencies. <http://rcpi.ilj.org>
- The Pennsylvania RCPI specializes in community involvement. 610.402.2589
- The Western Community Policing Institute specializes in community policing of law enforcement-community teams. <http://www.wou.edu/provost/wcpc/>
- SCOPE is based in Knoxville, Tennessee and specializes in building the infrastructure to support community policing. <http://www.ips.utk.edu/leic.asp>
- The Texas RCPI specializes in integrating community oriented and crime-specific policing. <http://www.shsu.edu/cjcenter/trcpi/trcpi.htm>
- TIPPS is based in Austin, Texas and specializes in mediation and problem solving. <http://www.utexas.edu/lbj/tipps/>
- The Virginia RCPI specializes in community policing strategies and creative approaches to problem-solving. <http://www.vcpionline.org>
- WRICOPS is based in Spokane, Washington and specializes in on-site organizational assessments for communities and their law enforcement agencies. <http://www.spokane.wsu.edu/research&service/wricops/>
- The West Virginia RCPI specializes in community policing as it relates to rural communities. <http://www.wvrcpi.org>

The COPS Office encourages officers and citizens to work together to build more successful communities. For more information on how to best utilize training and technical assistance programs to shape community policing practices, please call the U.S. Department of Justice Response Center 800.421.8770, or visit the COPS website at www.cops.usdoj.gov.

